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SRI K. ARANGANATHAN :—" Sir, skimmed milk powder is distributed in South Arcot to the Missions and the Priests and they supply this to under-nourished children belonging to the Christian community and not to non-Christian children. May I request the Government to instruct the Collector and the Public Health authorities to distribute this powder to all children whether they are Christians or non-Christians? "

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" I shall consider that suggestion, Sir."

SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM :— " கனம் மெம்பர் ஸ்ரீ அரங்கநாதன் அவர்கள் டிபார்ட்மெண்ட் மூலமாக வினியோகம் செய்யவேண்டியதன் அவசியத்தை வற்புறுத்தினார்கள். ஆனால் டிபார்ட்மெண்ட் மூலமாக வினியோகிக்கப்படக்கூடிய இடங்களில்கூட இந்த பால் பௌடர் ஏழைக் குழந்தைகளுக்குப் போவதில்லை என்பது சர்க்காருக்குத் தெரியுமா ? பால் பௌடர் மார்க்கெட்டுக்குப் போய், நமது பால் வியாபாரத்தை பாதிக்கக்கூடிய நிலைமை ஏற்பட்டிருக்கிறது என்பது சர்க்காருக்குத் தெரியுமா ? இதைத் தடுப்பதற்கு சர்க்கார் என்ன நடவடிக்கை எடுக்கப் போகிறார்கள் ? "

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" That is not with reference to the milk-powder distributed through the hospitals. My own information is that they have been distributed properly. But from Bombay and outside certain milk-powder is coming here and that is disturbing the milk trade here."

SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP :—" When milk-powder was distributed for children of the schools, the teachers had their days very much celebrated with ' Payasam ' and all that. Thus there has been much abuse. We are now having butter-oil from America. Do Government follow, in making such distribution, any principle with respect to the institutions to which they are granted? "

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Generally, voluntary organizations take up this work of distribution, just like some of the institutions run by Mrs. Clubwala, that is, social service organizations. Certainly they have to make the choice and it may in some cases be arbitrary and it is bound to be arbitrary as there are a large number of institutions which deserve help."

Construction of roads in Ponnani taluk.

* 2020 *Q.*—SRI E. T. KUNHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received any representation, dated 17th May 1954 from Sri E. T. Kunhan, M.L.A., regarding the construction of roads from Nariparamba to Edappal and Nariparamba to Kuttipuram Main Road in Ponnani taluk; and

(*b*) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" (*a*) Yes, Sir.

" (*b*) The works referred to have been included in the Local Development Works Programme of Malabar and have been sanctioned by the Collector of Malabar."